

## DISSECT THE RAILROADS

Broad Congressional Investigation Commenced by Committee

### GOVT. OWNERSHIP VERSUS REGULATION

Newlands Opens—The Witnesses All Try Not to Testify First

Washington, Nov. 21.—The joint congressional commission appointed to investigate a wide range of problems relating to railroads and other common carriers and to hear all interested parties held its first meeting yesterday. State railroad commissioners were to be heard first. The committee is to report by Jan. 8. Among those who planned to attend the opening meeting were Warren S. Stone, chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Representative Adamson, vice chairman of the joint committee and author of the eight-hour law, had an engagement to discuss prospective legislation with President Wilson yesterday.

In opening the first session of the joint commission, Senator Francis G. Newlands of Nevada, the chairman, explained that the inquiry would cover a wide field. He said:

"It will relate to every phase of the transportation question, the rail carriers, the river carriers and the ocean carriers, and the perfection of a harmonious system of transportation embracing rail, river and ocean carriers that will meet the demands of domestic interstate as well as foreign commerce, and it will also be applied to telegraph and telephone lines, express companies and other public utilities.

"It will embrace not only the subject of government control and regulation of public utilities, but also the wisdom and feasibility of government ownership and the comparative worth and efficiency of government regulation and control as compared with government ownership and operation."

Referring to government ownership, Senator Newlands said:

"It is a question that must be faced. Other nations far advanced in civilization have adopted the system. Recently, under the stress of war, almost all European governments have taken over the railways. Whether that will be a permanent taking over or only a temporary one, it demonstrates that in conditions of great crises when autocratic powers must be given to the government, all intelligent governments drift toward absolute and complete operation of the roads as the only solution of the question.

"If we pursue the exercise and the study of government regulation wisely, persistently and energetically we may create such a system of regulation as will meet every requirement, but it seems to be a wise thing for the government of the United States to ascertain now the history of the countries that have adopted government ownership and operation of railways and to watch the experiences of the European countries in this great war in this regard."

Strikes as a means of settling labor disputes, Senator Newlands characterized as the "most barbaric and brutal of processes."

"The question is," he added, "whether a nation pretending to some degree of civilization, and which has been for years

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endeavoring internationally to secure a system under which the nations of the earth will create similar tribunals for the adjustment of international disputes without resort to force—whether a civilized nation can be content to perpetuate the existing condition of these things."

Hours and wages of employees must be considered carefully, Senator Newlands declared, because "the burdens which constitute the operating expenses of these corporations are in time transferred to the shippers."

Senator Newlands outlined the proposals to reorganize the interstate commerce commission and to create federal agencies which might supplant state authorities in exercising control over railroad financing. He added:

"Another question of importance that will come up will be the question of the railway and other public utility securities."

"Also will come up the question as to whether the nation or the states should create the great organizations that serve the purpose of interstate commerce. Thus far we have been content to allow the states to create these corporations, these railroad companies."

Commenting on the suggestion that railroad taxation be put in the hands of federal authorities exclusively, Senator Newlands said there was "the greatest diversity in the tax laws of various states."

Heads of the four railroad brotherhoods paid "their respects" to the president last night and discussed the eight-hour law. Organized labor opposes the president's plan for compulsory investigation of railroad labor controversies.

Considerable secrecy was maintained regarding reported plans of the railroad brotherhoods and the American Federation of Labor for an organized movement for the eight-hour day. A movement to band employers together to fight the eight-hour day is also said to have been suggested.

At Baltimore President Samuel Gompers said the eight-hour proposition would come under the federation of labor convention "in due course."

## MONTREAL'S AQUEDUCT PLAN IS A FAILURE

System Was to Cost \$10,000,000, and \$5,200,000 Has Been Expended on It.

Montreal, Nov. 21.—The \$5,200,000 which the city of Montreal has expended on its new aqueduct scheme to supply it with water and power from the St. Lawrence river, has been wasted, according to a report made public yesterday by a committee of engineers appointed to investigate the project, which was to cost \$10,000,000. The committee pronounced the scheme a failure and warned the city that the unpaid balance also would be wasted should it be spent. The city entered upon the operations without sufficient study, according to the engineers.

### General Sporting Notes.

After the Amherst game, the Williams college eleven elected Bernard Clifford captain for the 1917 team. Clifford is a member of the 1914 class and hails from Minneapolis, Minn. He has played two years on the varsity and his work this fall helped materially toward a successful season. He played on his freshman team two years ago. Clifford came from the Blake school in Minneapolis and captained the Black school eleven for three years.

There were 175 players who started in the National league race last spring, and out of these 175, there were 80 pitchers, leaving 95 on hand with a chance to play in every game. Out of these, 95 men, only eight played through the entire route. Those who traveled through the whole season were: Burns of the Chicago, Herzog and Kauff of New York, Griffith of Cincinnati, Kometzky and Maraville of the Braves, Carey of Pittsburgh and Catshaw of Brooklyn. Less than 10 per cent were able to follow the trail because of injuries or some lack of ability. Hans Wagner was 42 years of age, but he was able to play more games than most of the athletes. Wagner was good in 123 major league contests, and among the infield regulars, only three were able to outlast him from April to October. He outlasted the shortstops with only Art Fletcher of the Giants close.

A Boston writer says about Pollard of Brown, that if there was ever a football player, who could start quicker than Pollard, he could not recall the player. It made no difference whether Pollard hit the line or was running around the end, the same terrific speed was in evidence. In the Harvard game he did not use the straight arm much; he didn't need to. But it did not make any difference how many players were in front of him, he never slackened his pace. Neither did he resort to those wide runs, which look spectacular, but so often measures up to so small gains. He would throw his opponents off their balance in their frantic efforts to head him off and then would turn in and go at another angle, always toward the goal line. In the line play the hole made by the Brown line might open and close like the shutter of a camera, and yet Pollard was so quick in his thrusts that he was through before the opening closed. A year ago, Harvard got Pollard's goat, but this fall the shoe was on the other foot, and with interest.

## WANTS FEDERAL TELEPHONES

Grange Also Asks for Parcel Post Extensions

### BRINGING PRODUCER NEARER CONSUMER

Will Consider the State and City Distribution of Milk

Washington, Nov. 29.—Government operation of telephone lines and an extension of "California Syrup of Figs," which has full directions for babies, children of all ages and for grown-ups plainly sold here. See that it is made by "California Fig Syrup Company." Refuse any other kind with contempt.—Adv.

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### A. F. OF L. DESIRES. Legislation That It Believes Should Be Enacted.

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 21.—Congress will be urged to pass legislation for a system of credits or releasing money on deposit in the postal savings banks to be loaned to municipalities for the purpose of building model homes for citizens, in accordance with a resolution unanimously adopted by the American Federation of Labor convention yesterday.

All state federations of labor and organized labor everywhere were urged to make the injunction question the paramount issue in their future political activity, until a law is operative in every state that will "protect the rights and liberties of all citizens against abuse of the writ of injunction."

### CANNED GOODS RUNNING LOW

Retail Grocers Predict One-Third Normal Supply Will Be Available.

New York, Nov. 21.—Retail grocers complain of a shortage of canned goods and some predict that only one-third of the normal supply will be available in New York this winter. Many grocers are running out of their supplies of standard, widely advertised canned products, declared a trustee of the Retail Grocers' association, and are unable to replenish their stock. One reason advanced for the shortage is the demand coming from the warring nations of Europe.

### Chicago Cuts Size of Drink.

Chicago, Nov. 21.—Virtually all of the bars in the downtown district of Chicago yesterday raised the price of beer by serving it in glasses two-thirds the size of those used heretofore.

A number of downtown lunchrooms also announced increases of five cents each on such orders as ham and eggs, bacon and eggs and small steaks, while pies formerly cut into five sections are hereafter to be divided into six.

### PRESIDENT BY DIRECT VOTE.

Oregon Senator Says He Will Introduce Constitutional Amendment to That End.

Portland, Ore., Nov. 21.—Senator George H. Chamberlain announces that at the coming session of Congress he will introduce a proposed constitutional amendment providing for the election of the president by direct vote of the people. His intention he said, is to get the amendment under way promptly, so that it may be acted on by Congress and, if adopted there, by the legislatures of the various states in time to become effective for the next presidential election.

Senator Chamberlain, who is chairman of the Senate committee on military affairs, said he would at the coming session put forward a measure providing for universal military service.

## MORE RHEUMATISM THAN EVER BEFORE

Clergymen, Lawyers, Brokers, Mechanics and Merchants Stricken.

Our old friend Rheumatism is having his finest year, and a few words of caution from one who knows all about it may not be amiss.

Wear rubbers in damp weather; keep your feet dry; drink plenty of lemonade, and avoid strong alcoholic drinks.

If rheumatism gets you, or sciatica, and you have sharp twinges, gnawing pain or swollen joints or muscles, you can get rid of all agony in just a few days by taking one-half teaspoonful of Rheuma once a day.

All druggists know about Rheuma; it's harmless, yet powerful; cheap, yet sure, and a 25-cent bottle will last a long time. Ask the Red Cross Pharmacy or any druggist.—Adv.

## CHILDREN HATE PILLS, CALOMEL AND CASTOR OIL

If Cross, Feverish, Constipated, Give "California Syrup of Figs."

Look back at your childhood days. Remember the "dose" mother insisted on—castor oil, calomel, cathartics. How you hated them, how you fought against taking them.

With our children it's different. Mothers who cling to the old form of physic simply don't realize what they do. The children's revolt is well-founded. Their tender little "insides" are injured by them.

If your child's stomach, liver and bowels need cleansing, give only delicious "California Syrup of Figs." Its action is positive, but gentle. Millions of mothers keep this harmless "fruit laxative" handy; they know their children love to take it, that it never fails to clean the liver and bowels and sweeten the stomach, and that a teaspoonful given to-day saves a sick child to-morrow.

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### A PROCLAMATION by Charles Winslow Gates, Governor of the State of Vermont.

Time has brought to us another season of brilliant Indian life, the good things of life and evolved in good feeling and healthy growth. It is therefore fitting that we stop for a day and square things with the Great Giver of all.

I, Charles Winslow Gates, governor of Vermont, do hereby designate Thursday, the 30th day of November A. D. 1910, as Thanksgiving Day.

And may we, as a united people, give praise to an all-wise Providence for the multitude of blessings that are ours.

Let the day include manifestations of gratitude, acts of kindness and deeds of charity, that in so doing we may show profound appreciation and acknowledgment of the many benefits received from a just and wise God.

Given under my hand and the great seal of the state, at Montpelier, this 18th day of November, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen, and of the independence of the United States, the one hundred and forty-first.

Charles Winslow Gates, Governor.

By the governor: Benjamin Gates, Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs.

East and West.

President Wilson, in one of his historical works, set forth the theory that our natural political cleavage is between East and West, not North and South, as we are accustomed to think. According to his theory, the division over slavery, with its Mason and Dixon's line, was really an incident in our history, obscuring for a time the more permanent demarcation along degrees of longitude.

Recall the whiskey rebellion in Washington's first term. What was it but a protest of the Pennsylvania mountaineers, the western frontiersmen of that day, against an eastern plan of taxation? And Hamilton's proposals for funded debts and tariffs, popular on the water-fronts of Boston and New York, were grave objects of suspicion to the pioneers of the Mohawk valley and the Blue Ridge. It was the West that forced the war of 1812 on a reluctant East; Kentucky and Tennessee were bubbling with patriotic ardor while New England wanted to beat a retreat in the Hartford convention.

The trans-Allegheny states, in their first rude vigor, made possible the picturesque career of Andrew Jackson, against which the scandalized seaboard states fought with a futile desperation. Then, for nearly a half century, the slavery struggle intervened with this element, until the old battle fronts faded from the political map.

The Greenback movement of the Mississippi valley was prophetic of a reaction. In 1896 it came. Bryan and his free silver issue might "set the prairies afire," but it found the East "enemies' country." Of course, East and West are purely relative expressions and by the time "the boy orator of the Platte" became the special spokesman of the mining regions, most of the communities on this side the Mississippi proved virtually eastern in interests and outlook.

And now again the map drawn by the voters' pencil a week ago pictures East and West in clear-cut antagonism. A minority of states in a frightened-looking huddle to the Northeast are pressed upon by a massed majority from the South, the West and Northwest. The victors have even broken through their centre with Ohio this flying wedge. Whether the states which backed together to re-elect President Wilson prove coherent or presently dissolve and find fresh affinities, their resemblance to the territorial units which landed Jackson in the White House and followed Bryan to defeat is the essential point to be noted. For East and West are symbolic as well as variable terms. The words connote the contrasts between well-populated and thinly-peopled areas. "East" represents cities, commerce, finance, "Wall Street," while the farm, the forest-clearing, the crossroads store contribute to the environment of the man we think of as typically "western."

Of course, characteristic population groups cannot be feared off by definitions consistently geographical; Maine and New Hampshire loved "Old Hickory," and the charm that attracted our inland folk to Mr. Wilson proved strong also in northern New England. Old habits of thought and loyalties left over from recent epochs may stem a little the tide which has set East and West again at odds; New York, Boston and the mill towns may render the Democratic party a perfunctory or dwindling allegiance. But the election seems to vindicate clearly Mr. Wilson's dictum of an instinctive political division between the sections, of which, appropriately enough, he stands the beneficiary.—Boston Herald.

## ORANGE COUNTY FARMERS' ASSOCIATION NOTES.

Notes for Week Ending Nov. 18.

The Union Village Farmers' club held its first annual meeting at union village the evening of Nov. 14. The president reported the work of the club for the past year which, to those present, well justified the organization of the club. Eighteen meetings were held during the year with good attendance and interest. At these meetings, some farm topics had been discussed which had shed light on many of the problems of the farm. A two-day extension school had been held with the co-operation of the two county associations, and the state extension service. Five demonstrations had been carried on by members of the club, which had been visited in three field meetings. The village road had been improved through the efforts of the club. One car of lime had been purchased at a saving of about \$40. But the chief value of the club was something not measurable in dollars and cents, but was important to the community just the same. This was the better acquaintance of the members with each other and the resulting increase in good feeling and a growing spirit of co-operation. The work of the club is something which can be duplicated in every community of the county with a little leadership and interest. The Union Village club showed its appreciation of this quality of leadership in electing its present president, L. B. Morse. For vice-president, Ralph Doble was chosen; for secretary, W. W. Matthews; for treasurer, L. W. Roberts. At the next meeting committees will be appointed to enlarge the work of the club this coming year.

The interest at East Topsham, Wednesday evening did not seem to warrant the organization of a club at the present time. Plans were made that evening to hold a meeting later in East Corinth to see if that locality wished to form a club.

The Williamstown club discussed the subject of co-operative buying in the south hill schoolhouse, Thursday evening. They plan to take up the buying of chemicals at their next meeting.

A few Washington farmers met in the schoolhouse hall Friday evening to discuss the farmers' club project for their community. Numbers were small, but those present were enthusiastic and a club was formed. The principal object of this club will be the co-operative buying proposition and discussion of farm topics. L. L. Wood was chosen president; Yorkins Ordway, vice-president; J. A. Partridge, secretary, and E. H. Downing, treasurer.

Summary for week ending Nov. 18:  
Days in office ..... 2  
Days in field ..... 4  
Farmers visited ..... 4  
Letters written ..... 22  
Telephone calls ..... 3  
Meetings held ..... 5  
Attendance ..... 122  
Distance traveled ..... 218  
E. H. Loveland, county agent.

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A talk on feeding dairy cows was given before the Snowville grange Saturday evening.

The greater part of the week ending Nov. 25, will be spent in Burlington at the annual conference of the county agents of the state. Reports of this conference will be given in next week's news notes.

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## AMUSEMENT NOTES

"Common Clay," One of the Most Sensational Plays in Recent Years.

The most sensational play in recent years is offered to theatregoers of Barre with the forthcoming production of "Common Clay," which A. H. Woods will present at the theatre for an engagement of matinee and night next Saturday, Nov. 25.

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